

Germany (Soviet Zone)

SECURITY INFORMATION

Movements of Soviet Troop Trains

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DATE OF CONTENT 11 August to 17 September 1951

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1. The following numbers of Soviet military personnel, including about 10 percent women, were observed on leave trains in Frankfurt/Oder between 13 and 16 September 1951:

Date	To Brest Litovsk	From Brest Litovsk
13 September	200 and 230	220 and 200
14 September	240 and 240	210 and 220
15 September	240 and 220	230 and 220
16 September	230 and 240	240 and 220

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2. [redacted] the following westbound troop trains crossed the border and passed through the Forst railroad station between 12 and 30 August:

Date	Composition of Troop Trains	Destination
12 August	41 cars with troops	Muellrose (2)
26 August	25 boxcars and 3 flatcars with ammunition (?), soldiers, 2 trucks and 1 jeep	Falkenberg
30 August	8 boxcars with 16 flatcars with soldiers and an unknown number of artillery pieces and trucks	Falkenberg (3)

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3. The following is a list of troop trains carried in the Cottbus railroad district between 11 August and 15 September:

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Date	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To	
25X1 11 August	[redacted] 18 SS-type flatcars with unknown load	Schwepnitz	Eisloben	25X1
11 August	14 cars with troops	Schwepnitz	Maldensleben	(4)
14 August	24 boxcars and 8 flatcars with troops	Weisswasser	"	(5)
25X1 14 August	[redacted] 23 SS-type flatcars with troops	Meissen	Schwepnitz	
25X1 16 August	[redacted] 2 boxcars and 17 SS-type flatcars with unknown load	Oschatz	"	
18 August	30 cars with troops	Magdeburg	"	
19 August	34 cars with troops	Wittenberge	Cottbus	(6)
19 August	28 cars with troops	Schwepnitz	Meissen	
23 August	An unidentified number of cars with troops	Falkenberg	Weisswasser	
23 August	An unidentified number of cars with troops	Falkenberg	Schwepnitz	
24 August	56 cars with troops	Koenigsbrunn	Chemnitz	(7)
24 August	13 SS-type flatcars with unknown load	Schwepnitz	Taucha near Leipzig	
25X1 24 August	[redacted] 1 boxcar and 15 SS-type flatcars with unknown load	"	Meissen	
24 August	50 boxcars with troops	Roederau	Schmorkau	
27 August	5 SS-type flatcars, 8 boxcars and 14 flatcars with soldiers, wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 5 tanks, 2 armored cars and 17 trucks	Falkenberg	Weisswasser	
25X1 30 August	[redacted] 2 flatcars with trucks	Falkenberg	Cottbus	(8)
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Date	Composition of Troop Trains	From	To
31 August	31 cars with troops	Jueterbog-Altes Lager	Cottbus
31 August	6 boxcars and 13 SS-type flatcars with unknown load	Schwepnitz	Chemnitz
2 September	11 boxcars and 18 flatcars with soldiers, AT guns and trucks	Falkenberg	Weisswasser
13 September	6 boxcars, 4 flatcars and 22 SS-type flatcars with unknown load	Klotzsche	Schwepnitz
13 September	40 cars with troops	Neulankow	Koenigsbrueck
13 September	47 cars with troops	Kroepolin	Koenigsbrueck
15 September	[redacted] 5 boxcars, 2 flatcars and 22 SS-type flatcars with troops	Bautzen	Schwepnitz

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4. A troop train was loaded with 260 officers and soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 6 artillery pieces, 15 T-34 tanks and 18 trucks [redacted] at the Branienburg freight yard and left toward Loewenberg at 9:35 a.m. on 16 September. (11)

5. A troop train of 8 boxcars and 40 gondola cars with 235 officers and soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 12 artillery pieces and 18 trucks [redacted] passed through the Branienburg railroad station at 4:30 p.m. on 16 September, coming from the direction of Loewenberg and proceeding toward Artern. (11)

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6. A troop train of 10 boxcars with officers and soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, and an unknown number of cars with 5 SP guns, 20 jeeps, 30 trucks, 4 buses and 3 tank trucks [redacted] was observed at the Massenheide railroad station, coming from Oberswalde and bound for Branienburg. (12)

Comments.

(1) The volume of daily leave traffic almost corresponds to that of mid-August 1951.

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- (2) Probably the train [redacted] at the Forst railroad station. [redacted] the train consisted of 60 cars with tanks, trucks and soldiers. 25X1

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- (4) The train possibly hauled a component of the 11th Gds Tank Div from the Koenigsorbeck troop training grounds to Letzling Heath. [redacted]

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- [redacted] A tank component of the division was entrained again at the Maldensleben railroad station on 8 September 1951. [redacted]

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- (5) Trucks of the 9th Mecz Div were loaded at the Jaevenitz railroad station on 20 August. [redacted] The train possibly carried the unit to the Letzling Heath area.

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- (6) The same train was previously reported [redacted] from the Halle railroad district. [redacted] 25X1

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- (7) [redacted] the same train, carrying a component of the 6th (?) Gds AAA Div, was unloaded at the Chemnitz railroad station on 18 August. [redacted]

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- (10) The two trains, which carried components of the 4th Gds AA Div, were previously observed [redacted]

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- (12) Probably one of the three trains carrying units of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army, [redacted] being loaded in [redacted] erswalde and dispatched to Oranienbaum. [redacted]

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